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E.O. 11652:GDS

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SUBJ: STATUS OF SPANISH NUCLEAR FACILITIES AND IAEA
SAFEGUARDS

REF: STATE 212186, STATE 188829, STATE 192126, MADRID 3594

1. EMBASSY HAS NO INFORMATION ON SAFEGUARDS PRESENTLY APPLICABLE TO TWO RESEARCH REACTORS AND DILOT REPROCESSING PLANT MENTIONED IN STATE 212186. IN OUR PAST DISCUSSIONS WITH GOS AUTHORITIES WE HAVE NEVER FOCUSED SPECIFICALLY ON THESE FACILITIES. HOWEVER WE HAVE HEARD STATEMENT ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS (INCLUDING VISITS OF TWO US CODELS) FROM DIFFERENT OFFICIALS, IN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND IN NUCLEAR ENERGY BOARD, TO EFFECT THAT GOS WOULD BE WILLING TO PLACE ALL NUCLEAR ACTIVITIES UNDER IAEA SAFEGUARDS.

2. WITH REGARD TO PREFERRED APPROACH TO SAFEGUARDS ARRANGEMENT, AS DETAILED IN PARA. 4, STATE 212186, GOS POSITION ON NPT WHICH WE DESCRIBED IN MADRID 3594 IS CONSIDERED UNCHANGED TO DATE. IT WOULD SEEM, FROM
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STATEMENTS DESCRIBED ABOVE, THAT GOS WOULD BE WILLING TO NEGOTIATE AN INFCIRC/153 TYPE AGREEMENT FOR FULL-SCOPE SAFEGUARDS. HOWEVER, AS DEPARTMENT POINTED OUT, GOS-IAEA DISCUSSIONS WILL BE NEEDED TO DETERMINE SPECIFICS OF AGREEMENT, INCLUDING WHETHER OR NOT GOS WOULD PLACE ALL NUCLEAR FACILITIES UNDER SAFEGUARDS.

3. COMMENT: WE HAVE NOT DISCUSSED SUBJECT YET WITH GOS, AS INSTRUCTED IN STATE 192126. WITH RETURN OF KEY OFFICIALS IN EARLY SEPTEMBER FROM SUMMER VACATIONS WE SHOULD HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH THEM AND COULD, IF DEPARTMENT WISHES, TAKE UP SAFEGUARDS QUESTION FOR BOTH VANDELLOS REACTOR AND THREE RESEARCH FACILITIES, AS WELL AS GENERAL QUESTION OF GOS POSITION ON FULL-SCOPE SAFEGUARDS. CONSIDERING HISTORY OF COOPERATIVE RELATIONSHIP GOS HAS MAINTAINED WITH BOTH US AND IAEA WE BELIEVE THAT SUCH DISCUSSIONS MIGHT BE PRODUCTIVE. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE. TODMAN

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